



City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

February 27, 2018

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Woodards called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka
and Mayor Woodards

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Ushka.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [18-0179](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee special meeting, January 24, 2018.
2. [18-0180](#) Minutes of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, January 31, 2018.
3. [18-0161](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board study session, January 10, 2018.
4. [18-0162](#) Minutes of the Public Utility Board meeting, January 10, 2018.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. [18-0158](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, January 23, 2018.
6. [18-0189](#) Minutes of the City Council study session, January 30, 2018.

RESOLUTIONS

7. [RES39944](#) A resolution setting Tuesday, March 20, 2018, at approximately 5:15 p.m., as the date for the public hearing by the City Council on the proposed Emergency Temporary Shelters Permanent Regulations, as recommended by the Planning Commission. [Brian Boudet, Division Manager; Peter Huffman, Director, Planning and Development Services]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

8. [18-0185](#) Proclaiming Wednesday, February 28, 2018 as Rare Disease Day.

Mayor Woodards proclaimed Wednesday, February 28, 2018 as Rare Disease Day, and presented the proclamation to Ms. Sandra Sermone, Washington State Ambassador for the National Organization for Rare Disorders.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment began at 5:14 p.m.

No one came forward to address the City Council.

Public comment ended at 5:15 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

9. [RES39945](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Washington State Council of County and City Employees, Local 120, consisting of approximately 164 budgeted full-time equivalent positions, retroactive to January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019.

[Kari Louie, Senior Compensation and Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 39945.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

10. [RES39946](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Human Resources Unit, consisting of approximately 19 budgeted full-time equivalent positions, retroactive to January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019.

[Kari Louie, Senior Compensation and Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 39946.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

11. [RES39947](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Pierce Transit, in the amount of \$400,221.48, budgeted from the Human Resources Internal Service Fund, for the purchase of the One Regional Card for All (ORCA) Business Cards, as part of the City's Commute Trip Reduction Program for 2018.

[Kari Louie, Senior Compensation and Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to adopt Resolution No. 39947.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

12. [ORD28492](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.23 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Hearing Examiner, to clarify the Hearing Examiner's role in conducting administrative hearings, issuing recommendations to the City Council, and decisions on administrative appeal hearings.

[Jeff H. Capell, Hearing Examiner]

ACTION: Roll call vote was taken and carried. The Ordinance was declared passed.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

13. [ORD28493](#) An amended ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation, and to implement changes to reflect the organizational structure, for employees represented by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Human Resources Unit, and the Washington State Council of County and City Employees, Local 120. [Kari Louie, Senior Compensation and Benefits Manager; Gary Buchanan, Director, Human Resources]

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to amend Ordinance No. 28493 on Page 10, Lines 18 and 19, by striking the language "or who retired between January 1, 2017, and the implementation date of the agreement," at the request of staff.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28493, as amended, was set over for final reading next week.

14. [ORD28494](#) An ordinance amending the 2017-2018 Biennial Operating Budget to appropriate funds from the sale of bonds for Tacoma Dome capital projects, adjustments in transfers to the Capital Budget, and other budget adjustments. [Katie Johnston, Budget Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28494 was set over for final reading next week.

15. [ORD28495](#) An ordinance amending the 2017-2018 Capital Budget to recognize changes in transfers, additional revenues from recently awarded grants, and budget adjustments related to the sale of bonds for Tacoma Dome capital projects. [Katie Johnston, Budget Manager; Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance]

ACTION: Ordinance No. 28495 was set over for final reading next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Elizabeth Pauli reported StriveTogether, a national non-profit, announced five new Cradle to Career Network communities as examples of student success, including the Graduate Tacoma.

COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Government Performance and Finance Committee

Deputy Mayor Ibsen, Chair of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, reported at the January 17, 2018 meeting, the Committee elected him as Chair and Council Member Mello as Vice Chair. He stated on January 31, 2018, Sean Senescall, Finance and Analytics Manager of Tacoma Water, presented on fixed-charge proration. Lastly, he stated the February 20, 2018 meeting included a 2017 Government Performance and Finance Committee year-end report and City Attorney Bill Fosbre presented on severance benefits policy.

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Mayor Woodards provided information on the interview process for the Interim City Council District No. 2 position.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to allow the Mayor and each Council Member to forward one applicant to be considered for an interview for the Interim City Council District No. 2 position.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

MOTION: Council Member Thoms moved to forward Russ Heaton to be interviewed for the Interim City Council District No. 2 position, at the City Council study session on Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Ibsen.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

MOTION: Council Member Hunter moved to forward Janey Mattson to be interviewed for the Interim City Council District No. 2 position, at the City Council study session on Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Ibsen.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

MOTION: Council Member Beale moved to forward Ron Stephens to be interviewed for the Interim City Council District No. 2 position, at the City Council study session on Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Ibsen.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

MOTION: Council Member Ushka moved to forward Dan Voelpel to be interviewed for the Interim City Council District No. 2 position, at the City Council study session on Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Ibsen.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 8 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

Abstain: 1 - McCarthy

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Ibsen moved to forward Justin Camarata to be interviewed for the Interim City Council District No. 2 position, at the City Council study session on Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

MOTION: Council Member McCarthy moved to forward Sarah Rumbaugh to be interviewed for the Interim City Council District No. 2 position, at the City Council study session on Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Blocker.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

MOTION: Council Member Mello moved to forward Ann Locsin to be interviewed for the Interim City Council District No. 2 position, at the City Council study session on Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

MOTION: Mayor Woodards moved to forward AJ Gordon to be interviewed for the Interim City Council District No. 2 position, at the City Council study session on Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Ibsen.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

MOTION: Council Member Blocker moved to forward Bradd Busick to be interviewed for the Interim City Council District No. 2 position, at the City Council study session on Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Ibsen.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 9 - Beale, Blocker, Hunter, Ibsen, McCarthy, Mello, Thoms, Ushka and Mayor Woodards

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Comments were made by various Council Members regarding Council Member Thoms' departure for military service.

ADJOURNMENT

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor

Doris Sorum, City Clerk